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STATE PASS NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR DRUG ABUSE (NIDA), DUPONT AND RETKA

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SUBJECT: NIDA-FUNDED ACUPUNCTURE PROJECT

- 1. HONG KONG COMMISSIONER FOR NARCOTICS, PTER LEE, HAS ASKED WITH GREAT URGENCY THAT NIDA CABLE ACUPUNCTURE PROJECT CONTRACT AMENDMENTS AND QUERIES, AS DISCUSSED DURING RETKADENDY VISIT APRIL 27-29.
- 2. COMMISSIONER LEE SAID TODAY (MAY 6) THAT HKG PLANS FOR PROJECT MUST BE FINALIZED BY THE END OF MAY SINCE DR. WEN NOW INTENDS TO BE AWAY FROM HK THE ENTIRE MONTH OF JUNE. AS NIDA KNOWS, COMMISSIONER LEE'S OWN TRAVEL PLANS AND PROJECT ADMINISTRATOR JOHN LIU'S BRIEF SECONDMENT HAVE ALREADY PUT PRESSURE ON HKG TO HAVE NIDA CONTRACT SIGNED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. WITH DR. WEN NOW PLANNING ADDITIONAL TRAVEL, HKG AND NIDA MUST HAVE AMENDED CONTRACT IN FORCE BY LATE MAY, IF PROJECT IS TO BEGIN AS SCHEDULED JULY 1 AND DELICATE NEGOTIATION OF WEN'S SALARY STILL LIES AHEAD.

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3. ACTION REQUESTED: NIDA SEND CONTRACT REVISIONS AND COMMENTS VIA IMMEDIATE CABLE TO CONGEN, ATTENTION MCCAHILL.
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